

Lions International Youth Exchange Report

Distinct 27-D1 Cabinet Meeting – October 11th, 2020

- **Youth Exchange Scholarships.**
 - We are currently soliciting scholarship applicants from Leo Clubs, Lions/Lioness member's relations, Campus Lions Clubs and the community at large. Informational brochures and handbooks are available. ANY youth residing in D1 can apply for our District D1 scholarship, provided they have a sponsoring Lions Club.
 - ***Of special note, the 6 youth awarded scholarships last year and canceled, have all been invited to participate this year, where their (already approved in 2019) scholarship requirement has been waved. They will automatically be awarded a scholarship, amount dependent on funds available, which will be determined based on TOTAL number of applicants (including new applications submitted this year).***

Fundraising We are currently soliciting funds from our district Lions and Lioness clubs to finance this year's program. Funds collected are used to pay our districts' share of the Youth Exchange camp-related fees; youth exchange scholarships, host family stipends & other direct expenses. All the funds collected are used only for direct youth exchange related costs. There are no indirect fees; all individuals involved in this program are volunteers including camp counselor & all support staff. **To assess funds available for the December 15th scholarship deadline, please consider donating early.**

Finances/Budget

Due to covid related camp cancelations we have a significant carryover from 2019/20

Carryover funds – \$7316.26

CURRENT Donations - \$28

TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE – \$7344.26

Projected Expenses: ~\$7500

Camp fee - \$1700 (paid by each of the 10 state Lions Districts) ***NO INCREASE!***

Scholarships - \$500 x 10 = \$5000 (the scholarship amount is determined by # of applications & available funds)

Host family support \$800

Table at International Festival (**canceled due to COVID** for 2021) \$0.00

There are currently 2 volunteers on the District 27-D1 youth exchange committee: Terry **Miller** – Pardeeville, and **Ben August** – Token Creek.

We are looking for another volunteer for our committee. If you enjoy working with youth and would like to learn about this awesome program that satisfies the **third objective** of the Lions **“To create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world”** Please contact me ASAP

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